

## ABSTRACT

A mechanism to measure voice call quality in a Voice  
5 over IP (VOIP) network using a single voice call quality test  
probe is described. VOIP communications devices, such as  
gateways, that are deployed at various points along the border  
of the VOIP network each are configured to play an embedded  
reference voice file in response to test calls placed by the  
10 test probe to those devices. The test probe measures voice  
call quality by recording the played voice file and comparing  
it to the test probe's own copy of the reference voice file.  
The comparison uses a standard voice call quality analysis  
algorithm, such as Perceptual Analysis Measurement System  
15 (PAMS) or Perceptual Speech Quality Measurement (PSQM).

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